

Planning Commission Meeting

Feb 21, 2022

The meeting was held at the Sugar Island Community Center located at 6401 E 1-½ Mile Road, Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. by Kathy Cairns.

Pledge of allegiance recited. Roll call of BOR Members.

Members present: Tanya Menard, Ryan Behm, Jeff Middlestead, and Kathy Cairns. Absent: Kathy Noble.

1. Additions to agenda: Question by Jeff Middlestead
2. Public comment: 4:30 pm by Mark and Jeff Middlestead
3. Addendum to Master Plan (Broadband): Plan is for spring to have a public hearing on residential change to commercial zoning at 1-½ mile road and adding an addendum to the master plan for the broadband internet.
4. There is currently no charge to residents for coming to the planning commission to request changes in zoning. There are costs incurred with evaluating the situations. Kathy made a motion to add a charge for the planning commission of \$250 to any property owner who wants to apply for a change to zoning. Seconded by Ryan Behm, all in favor, none opposed.
5. Planning committee Annual report: We plan to resolve any planning activity brought before the committee, including but not limited to a request to change residential to commercial zoning. We will bring to the township board any and all actions with recommendations. 1. Request to change residential to commercial zoning at 1-½ Mile road. 2. Continue to work on zoning book changes to be brought to the public. 3. Review and update the master plan as needed. A. Waterfront District - new wording for limited -5.07. B. Square footage of a building requiring a zoning permit 100 sq ft. C. Update definitions. D. Review mobile home, 3.15. Kathy Cairns-Chairperson Planning commission for Sugar Island township.
6. Adjournment. Kathy made a motion to adjourn at 5:15 p.m., seconded by Ryan Behm, All in favor, none opposed, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Menard – Planning Commission Secretary